



London Meed Primary School Newsletter

7th September 2026

Bravery Curiosity Resilience Community Respect

Welcome back to the start of this academic year and what an exciting year ahead. The children came back so well last week with big smiles, new haircuts and ready to learn. The staff were very excited to have the children back in, and the classrooms all looked lovely. It was fantastic seeing some children already wearing their new house colours t-shirts. Please feel free to start this from now, but it doesn't officially come in until next September.

This week, we have Year 3 starting as they mean to go on, with a trip to Camp WoWo on Wednesday. We are hoping that the weather is kinder to them than last year, where they had torrential rain! I have got 'Hot Chocolate Friday' on Friday and am looking forward to seeing who gets to come with me first. If your child is chosen for Hot Chocolate Friday, that is because they always keep our school rules of being 'Ready, Respectful and Safe'.

This term, we will be handing out our 'Ready' reward bands. We are looking for those children who always demonstrate that they are ready. If your child comes home with one, please celebrate this with them, as the bands are not given out easily.

Our Oasis is now officially open and the children that attend are loving it. Thank you to Miss Jones and Mrs Fleming for all their hard work to get it ready for the children. It looks fantastic.



Welcome to:

Mr Miller who is job sharing 4SM with Ms Smith, taking 4B once a week and then some of our other classes. We are so pleased he has joined our team. We also welcome Mrs Kellerman and Ms Clapham as part of our lunchtime team each day.

Congratulations to:

Miss McConnell who got married over the summer and is now Mrs Donaghy. She will be going off on maternity leave on Friday 18th September and we cannot wait to meet the new addition to her family.

Tesco Award - Very Exciting:

Our school has been picked to be part of the in-store awards for outside learning. This means that when you visit the Tesco stores listed below, until the end of November 2026, you can vote for us by putting in the blue counters in our schools container. Our bid was to raise money for our outside environment as part of our OPAL project. Please support us by helping us to raise the most counters. But remember, any adults seen cheating and putting in loads of tokens in one go will get us disqualified! Please ask friends, family and neighbours to support us with this.



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The project with the highest number of votes across our region will receive £1,500 (or the amount that was requested up to this value), the second placed project £1,000 (or the amount that was requested up to this value), and the third placed project £500.

Please see below a list of stores taking part in the voting on our project.

2163 Burgess Hill Superstore RH15 9QT

4616 Haywards Heath Walnut Park Express RH16 3TG

5047 Burgess Hill Gatehouse Express Express RH15 9XB

5242 Haywards Heath Express Express RH16 3PH

To check the location of any of the above stores, please go to the Tesco website here:

<http://www.tesco.com/store-locator/uk>

To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token.

Miss Dowley



26/27 | Term Dates

AUTUMN | **Thur 3rd Sept**
–
Fri 18th Dec

Half Term 26th Oct – 30th Oct

INSET DAYS: 1st Sept & 2nd Sept

SPRING | **Tues 5th Jan**
–
Thur 25th Mar

Half Term 15th Feb – 19th Feb

INSET DAYS: 4th Jan

SUMMER | **Mon 12th Apr**
–
Wed 21st July

Half Term 31st May – 4th June

INSET DAYS: 28th May & 7th June

1.30pm finish on
Fri 18th Dec, Thur 25th Mar & Wed 21st July

KS2 Pencil Cases

It is very helpful if children in Y3-Y6 have a modestly sized (these need to fit within their drawer), named pencil case in school containing the following items:

- ▣ HB pencils
- ▣ Coloured pencils
- ▣ Short ruler (15cm)
- ▣ Pencil sharpener
- ▣ Glue stick
- ▣ Blue handwriting pen (not biro)
- ▣ Eraser

It is best if inexpensive items are chosen, as these are less of a temptation to others and less distressing if lost. All items should be named if possible.

A purple 'editing' pen will be provided by the school

Thank you for your continued support.

PE Days

Please remember to send your child in their PE kits on their allocated PE day below:

- Yr1 - Tuesday and Thursday
- Yr2 - Monday and Wednesday
- Yr3 - Tuesday and Wednesday
- Yr4 - Wednesday and Thursday
- Yr5 - Monday and Tuesday
- Yr6 - Thursday and Friday





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Email: fsm@westsussex.gov.uk
Tel: 0330 222 5555

WSCC FREE SCHOOL MEALS

YOU CAN APPLY

You can find out if you are eligible via the website below. If your application is successful or you require any assistance please do not hesitate to contact our office



WHY APPLY?

- Free school meals ☒
- Financial support towards clubs ☒
- Uniform Vouchers ☒
- HAF Vouchers ☒
- School Trips & Visits Paid ☒

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/>

APPLY NOW



A big well done to Johan in 5B who has returned to school with a medal and trophy for his achievements in football. Fantastic work!

RUSSELL MARTIN ACADEMY

LONDON MEED

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Year 3-6
Fridays After-School
Fun Games
Technical Work
Match Practice
FA Qualified Coaches



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Forthcoming diary dates

Date (Autumn Term)	Event - <i>Whilst we endeavour to provide parents with as much notice as possible of upcoming events, on occasion some events may change date.</i>
9th Sep	Year 3 to Camp Wowo
8th Sept	EYFS new intake Stay and Play sessions 9.30-10.30 & 1.30-2.30
9th / 10th / 11th Sept	EYFS new intake Getting to know you sessions 9-1.15pm
17th Sept	Year 2 to Arundel Castle
30th Sept	Y5 Viking Day on site
30th Sept - 2nd Oct	Y6 Windmill Hill Residential
5th Oct	Individual School Photos
7th Oct	Open Morning for 2027 Reception Starters
9th Oct	Y1 to Wakehurst
16th Oct	Y4 to the National History Museum
16th Oct	Wear Something Yellow for charity
19 October	Harvest Donations can be brought in
21 October	Harvest Festival with The Pantry
22 October	Inside Out Day
22nd Oct	LMA - School Discos (Y1-Y6)
23rd Oct	Flu nasal spray for all children
23 October	Break up for Half term at 3.15pm
31 October	Year 6 applications for Secondary school and Year 7 places



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	for September 2027 closes
4th Nov	Open morning for 2027 Reception Starters
6 November	ROAR project day
10 November	Parents Evening 3.30 to 6.30
11 November	Armistice Day
11 November	Parents Evening 3.30 to 6.00
13th Nov	LMA - Non Uniform (sweet/chocolate donation)
20th Nov	LMA - Break a rule day (rainbow tombola)
25th Nov	Open morning for 2027 Reception Starters
27th Nov	LMA - Non uniform (bottle donation)
27th Nov	LMA - Christmas Fair
30th Nov	Panto (Whole School)
2nd Dec	Elf Run for St Peter & St James Hospice
11 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
14th Dec	Carol Concert Rehearsal
15th Dec	Carol Concert at St Johns Church
16th Dec	Christmas Lunch and Party Day
18th Dec	Break up for Christmas holidays at 1.30pm



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Drum Lessons with Milo



Learn to play the drums in school. No need to have a kit at home. Grooves, fills, reading, songs with backing tracks and grades all covered. Individual or shared lessons. 30 years professional playing experience and over 20 years teaching in schools. See www.milofell.com for more information.

Contact milofell@hotmail.com